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Senate Resolution 698

By: Senator Golden of the 8th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring and celebrating the life of Mrs. Mildred Morse Hunter; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mildred Morse Hunter, born March 9, 1923, in Valdosta, Georgia,
- 3 exemplifies what it truly means to be of service to others and to make a difference in this
- 4 world; and
- 5 WHEREAS, she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education from Fort
- 6 Valley State University, a Master of Education degree in elementary education at Valdosta
- 7 State University, and went on to further her studies at Savannah State University, Florida
- 8 Agricultural and Mechanical University, and Tuskegee University; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hunter worked for the Lowndes County Board of Education and for the
- 10 Valdosta Board of Education for more than 36 years before retiring in June of 1983, and
- during this time, she was widely recognized throughout this state as the personification of
- 12 excellence in education; and
- 13 WHEREAS, she has dedicated her life to making her community and the world around her
- 14 a better place by sharing her talents and volunteering with many community service
- 15 organizations; and
- 16 WHEREAS, she is a member of Macedonia First Baptist Church and has served more than
- 17 30 years as the Minister of Music in addition to acting as the church's treasurer and
- 18 superintendent of the Sunday school; and
- 19 WHEREAS, she has received numerous awards and tributes, including the establishment of
- 20 a scholarship in her name; having a Valdosta parks and recreation center named for her;
- 21 receiving the Black Heritage Award of the Black Heritage Committee of Moody Air Force
- 22 Base, the Distinguished Service Award of Fort Valley State University, the Distinguished
- 23 Social Science Education Award, the "Woman of the Year" Award of Macedonia First

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1 Baptist Church, the Unsung Hero Award of the Congressional Black Caucus of Washington,

- 2 D.C.; and becoming the first recipient of the Martin Luther King Humanitarian Award; and
- 3 WHEREAS, she was married to the late Mr. Gaines Hunter for 42 years and raised a
- 4 wonderful, loving family which includes their three children, seven grandchildren, and one
- 5 great-granddaughter.
- 6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 7 honor and celebrate the life of Mrs. Mildred Morse Hunter and recognize her for her
- 8 outstanding accomplishments and extend their sincerest best wishes for her continued
- 9 success.
- 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized to transmit an
- appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Mildred Morse Hunter.